Grants to Rajasthan for development of SSI

†3006. DR. MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount provided by the Small Scale Industries and Agro and Rural Industries to the Rajasthan Government in the form of grants during the financial year 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 and the details of the items, programmes or projects and specific subjects for which the grant was provided; and

(b) whether the State Government has timely submitted to the Central Government the account of the amount so spent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) A sum of Rs. 94.14 lakhs and Rs. 110.38 lakhs were released to the Government of Rajasthan for the year 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 for training and contingency etc. under the Prime Minister Rojgar Yojana (PMRY).

(b) The utilisation of funds released for the year 1999-2000 have been received, however the implementation of the PMRY for the year 2000-2001 is still in progress.

Employment opportunities in Small Scale Sector

†3007. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which the employment opportunities have been generated in the Small Scale Sector after the formation of his Ministry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the desired success has not been achieved in this sector

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